



2006 United States Mint 50 State Quarters Proof Set Available January 5

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WASHINGTON — The United States Mint today announced that the 2006 United States Mint 50 State Quarters Proof Set™ will be released January 5, 2006, at 12:00 noon (ET). The set, priced at \$15.95, features proof versions of the commemorative quarter-dollar coins from each state honored this year under the United States Mint's 50 State Quarters Program — Nevada, Nebraska, Colorado, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Proof coins are manufactured at the United States Mint at San Francisco using specially prepared, highly polished dies. Each coin is struck at least twice to ensure the finest detail in a frosted cameo image on a bright, mirror-like background. Each coin bears the "S" mint mark. The sealed cases containing the coins are inserted into specially printed boxes and are accompanied by a United States Mint Certificate of Authenticity.

Customers can purchase the 2006 United States Mint 50 State Quarters Proof Set online through the United States Mint's secure website at www.usmint.gov, or by calling toll-free 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468) 8:00 a.m. to midnight (ET), seven days a week. Hearing- and speech-impaired customers may order by calling 1-888-321-MINT (6468) 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET), Monday through Friday. A shipping and handling fee of \$4.95 per order will be added to all domestic orders.

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